Claims

What is claimed is:

1. A liquid laundry detergent composition comprising:

an anionic surfactant component present in an amount of from about 0.5% to about 5% by weight of the composition;

a nonionic surfactant component present in an amount of less than about 15% by weight of the composition;

a polymer component present in the amount of from about 0.2% to about 2% by weight of the composition;

a builder present in the amount of from about 0.01% to about 5% by weight of the composition;

a chelating agent present in the amount of from about 0.01% to about 5% by weight of the composition; and

a liquid carrier.

- 2. The composition of claim 1, wherein said nonionic surfactant component comprises at least one of an oily nonionic surfactant, a traditional laundry nonionic surfactant, and mixtures thereof.
- 3. The composition of claim 1, wherein said nonionic surfactant component comprises a mixture of two nonionic surfactants.
- 4. The composition of claim 3, wherein said nonionic surfactant component comprises an oily nonionic surfactant and a traditional laundry nonionic surfactant.

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- 5. The composition of claim 1, wherein the ration of said anionic surfactant component to said nonionic surfactant component is from about 2:1 to about 1:5.
- 6. The composition of claim 1, wherein said polymer component comprises at least one of a thickening polymer, an antiredeposition polymer, and mixtures thereof.
- 7. The composition of claim 1, wherein said polymer component comprises a mixture of two polymers.
- 8. The composition of claim 7, wherein said polymer component comprises a thickening polymer and a antiredeposition polymer.
 - 9. The composition of claim 1, further comprising a caustic agent.
 - 10. The composition of claim 9, wherein said caustic agent comprises NaOH.
 - 11. The composition of claim 1, further comprising an optical brightener.
- 12. The composition of claim 1, wherein said liquid carrier is comprised of one of water, distilled water, and deionized water.
- 13. The composition of claim 1, further comprising at least one of a dying agent, a fragrance, a preservative, and mixtures thereof.

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14. A liquid laundry detergent composition comprising:

an anionic surfactant component present in an amount of from about 0.5% to about 5% by weight of the composition;

a nonionic surfactant component present in an amount of less than about 15% by weight of the composition, comprising at least one of an oily nonionic surfactant, a traditional laundry nonionic surfactant, and mixtures thereof;

wherein the ratio of said anionic surfactant component to said nonionic surfactant component is from about 2:1 to about 1:5; and

wherein the composition does not comprise any additional suds reducers.

- 15. The composition of claim 14, wherein said nonionic surfactant component comprises at least one of an oily nonionic surfactant, a traditional laundry nonionic surfactant, and mixtures thereof.
- 16. The composition of claim 14, wherein said nonionic surfactant component comprises a mixture of two nonionic surfactants.
- 17. The composition of claim 16, wherein said nonionic surfactant component comprises an oily nonionic surfactant and a traditional laundry nonionic surfactant.
- 18. The composition of claim 14, further comprising a polymer component present in the amount of from about 0.2% to about 2% by weight of the composition.
- 19. The composition of claim 18, wherein said polymer component comprises at least one of a thickening polymer, an antiredeposition polymer, and mixtures thereof.

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- 20. The composition of claim 14, further comprising a builder present in the amount of from about 0.01% to about 5% by weight of the composition.
- 21. The composition of claim 14, further comprising a chelating agent present in the amount of from about 0.01% to about 5% by weight of the composition.
 - 22. The composition of claim 14, further comprising a caustic agent.
 - 23. The composition of claim 22, wherein said caustic agent comprises NaOH.
 - 24. The composition of claim 14, further comprising an optical brightener.
- 25. The composition of claim 14, further comprising a liquid carrier comprised of one of water, distilled water, and deionized water.
- 26. The composition of claim 14, further comprising at least one of a dying agent, a fragrance, a preservative, and mixtures thereof.

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